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Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the non-final Office Action dated October 2, 2006. Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested in light of this paper, which is set forth as follows:

- Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.
- Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.
- Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.